

ORDINANCE NO. 14915

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 53 - 2011

JULY 20, 2011

AN ORDINANCE

An Ordinance providing for the expenditure of certain monies received by the City of Allentown under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Subtitle B of Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, as amended; and Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended; for the purpose of undertaking programs of housing and community development within the City.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That the Mayor is authorized to expend Three Million Five Hundred Sixty-seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety (\$3,567,990) Dollars in Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grants Program (ESG) funds for the July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 grant year, for housing and community development programs pursuant to the approved Consolidated Plan, appropriate Federal Law and United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations.

SECTION TWO: That the Mayor is directed to establish and maintain any and all accounts and records as are necessary and to make such transfers as may be required to expend and account for said CDBG, HOME and ESG Funds in accordance with the approved Consolidated Plan, appropriate Federal law, and HUD regulations.

SECTION THREE: That this act of the Council of the City of Allentown is undertaken pursuant to Act 292 of 1974 in accordance with the opinion of the Pennsylvania Attorney General (Opinion 72-75) which holds that CDBG, HOME, and ESG Funds are General Municipal Funds for the purpose of Act 292 of 1974.

SECTION FOUR: That, in accordance with the Action Plan, the Council of the City of Allentown authorizes the appropriation of Three Million Five Hundred Sixty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-two (\$4,183,522) Dollars in the following manner:

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND REHABILITATION (CDBG)

700-01-7701-0102	Code Enforcement (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7701-0104	Acquisition.....	\$220,000
700-01-7701-0106	Property Disposition and Management.....	10,000

700-01-7701-0107	Site Clearance	100,000
700-01-7701-0108	Homesteading (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7701-0109	Focus Area Rehabilitation (DPL).....	14,000
700-01-7701-0112	Hazard Elimination Program	100,000
700-01-7701-0115	Program Delivery (Includes Salaries to be Apportioned)	<u>889,690</u>

TOTAL	\$1,333,690
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PUBLIC SERVICES (CDBG)

700-01-7702-0101	Allentown YMCA and YWCA	\$15,000
700-01-7702-0102	Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living	15,000
700-01-7702-0103	Adult Literacy Center	15,000
700-01-7702-0104	Lehigh County Conference of Churches – Daybreak	15,000
700-01-7702-0105	Grace Episcopal Church – Grace Montessori School	15,000
700-01-7702-0107	The Baum School of Art	7,500
700-01-7702-0108	Communities In Schools	15,000
700-01-7702-0109	Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley – Community Action Financial Services	15,000
700-01-7702-0110	Neighborhood Housing Services of the Lehigh Valley – Operating	15,000
700-01-7702-0111	Boys and Girls Club of Allentown	15,000
700-01-7702-0112	St. Luke's Neighborhood Center	15,000
700-01-7702-0113	Mosser Village Family Center	12,000
700-01-7702-0114	Community Bike Works	15,000
700-01-7702-0115	Embrace Your Dreams	9,344
700-01-7703-0102	Family Answers – Ways to Work	15,000
700-01-7703-0103	Allentown Public Library	12,000
700-01-7703-0104	Lehigh Carbon Community College	14,591
700-01-7703-0106	Syrian Arab American Charity Association	15,000
700-01-7703-0107	Program for Women and Families	15,000
700-01-7703-0108	Allentown Economic Development Corporation – Securing Industrial/Commercial Properties	13,500
700-01-7703-0109	Bureau of Building Standards and Safety – Neighborhood Clean-Up	12,480
700-01-7703-0110	Bureau of Building Standards and Safety – Foreclosure Program	15,000
700-01-7703-0111	Bureau of Health – Alliance Summer Recreation	<u>15,000</u>

TOTAL	\$321,415
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NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION (CDBG)

700-01-7704-0101	Seventh Street Façade – Residential (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7704-0102	Seventh Street Façade – Commercial (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7704-0109	Focus Area Façade Grants – Residential	\$130,000
700-01-7704-0110	Voluntary Relocation	5,000
700-01-7704-0112	Neighborhood Housing Services of the Lehigh Valley – Community Partnership Program	<u>75,000</u>

TOTAL	\$210,000
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ADMINISTRATION, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CDBG)

700-01-7705-0102	Community Action Development Corporation of the Lehigh Valley	\$32,500
700-01-7705-0103	Allentown Economic Development Corporation – Economic Development Activity	120,000
700-01-7705-0107	Administration	341,800
700-01-7705-0108	Fair Housing	50,000
700-01-7705-0109	Community Development Planning	<u>97,000</u>
TOTAL		\$ 641,300

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)

700-01-7707-0101	Focus Area Rehabilitation (DPL)	\$406,715
700-01-7707-0102	Housing Association and Development Corporation – CHDO Activity	124,318
700-01-7707-0103	Housing Association and Development Corporation – CHDO Operating	25,000
700-01-7707-0104	Administration	94,003
700-01-7707-0105	Allentown Housing Authority – Cumberland Gardens Rehabilitation	250,000
700-01-7707-0106	Alliance for Building Communities – CHDO Activity	35,000
700-01-7707-0107	Alliance for Building Communities – CHDO Operating	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL		\$940,036

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS PROGRAM (ESG)

700-01-7708-0101	Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley - Sixth Street Shelter	\$ 29,000
700-01-7708-0102	Allentown Rescue Mission	29,000
700-01-7708-0103	Salvation Army	29,000
700-01-7708-0104	Administration	5,459
700-01-7708-0105	Lehigh County Conference of Churches – Pathways	<u>29,000</u>
TOTAL		\$121,549

SECTION FIVE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION SIX: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
W. Michael Donovan	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Julio A. Guridy	X	
Ray O'Connell	X	
Michael Schlossberg		
Peter G. Schweyer, Vice President	X	
Michael D'Amore, President	X	
TOTAL	6	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on August 3rd and signed by the Mayor on August 10th, 2011.


 CITY CLERK

What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

The legislation consists of an ordinance and a resolution.

This ordinance replaces the ordinance passed in May, 2011 because HUD revised our allocation due to the reduction in funding by the federal government.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program experienced a reduction of \$493,738. The HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) was reduced by \$122,085 and the Emergency Shelter Grants Program gained \$291.

The resolution allows us to submit the revised Action Plan to HUD

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

Ordinance

Summary: This legislation is required to establish expenditure accounts for the City budgeting system, in addition to listing all the activities/programs which will be funded for the 2011-2012 Consolidated Grants Program year. It provides the basis for the creation of the Action Plan which is submitted to HUD as the application for the CDBG, HOME and ESG program funds which the City receives every year. This legislation reflects the entire budget as amended.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
- **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
- **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

This bill and resolution allow the City to apply for and then access \$3,567,990 in grant funds for the July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 program year. All activities funded comply with the CDBG, HOME and ESG regulations as promulgated by HUD and allow the City to further its Community and Economic Development Initiatives. These bills provide the basis to complete the strategies of the second year of the City of Allentown's Consolidated Plan for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2015.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
- **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

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This ordinance provides the City the ability to expend \$3,567,990 in federal funds to complete a variety of activities including housing rehabilitation, homeownership, public services, administration of the programs, etc. This legislation has no adverse financial impact on the City and the General Fund.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

Ordinance : Federal CDBG, HOME and ESG dollars,

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

These three bills and one resolution have a high priority status since the program year began July 1.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

Ordinance #1 Why Should Council unanimously support this bill?

The reductions were made to programs which scored low or are not ready for funding.

Summary of Changes

HOME program

Funding in the amount of \$433,333 for HDC (HOME) was eliminated, the project was not ready for funding and the match funds to complete the project were not yet secured.

Funding for Habitat for Humanity in the amount of \$35,000 was reduced since this application received the lowest scoring of the HOME applications.

Building Standards and Safety's Housing Rehabilitation- Deferred Payment Loan program budget increased from \$48,258 to \$406,715 which allowed for \$379,300 in CDBG funding to be eliminated for this program.

Administration reduced from \$106,212 to \$94,003, as required by regulated program cap.

CDBG

As noted above, Housing Rehabilitation Deferred payment loan program reduced from \$393,300 to \$14,000. HOME program funds will allow the program to continue.

Reduction of \$26,884 in program delivery for the Bureau of Building Standards and Safety Programs.

Reduction from \$139,000 to \$97,000 for Planning and Reduction from \$387,354 to \$341,800 for Administration due to the large reduction in the CDBG funds, the planning and administration cap caused a substantial reduction in funding for planning and admin

ESG

Increase of \$291 which was allocated to administration since we previously budgeted less than the cap allowed.